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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE/METHOD/EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2006

SUBJECT: LCCASSOCK

1. Principal Agent: Karl Heinz Gerhard Albin MARBACH, born Kolberg, Ostsee, 5/7/17. Present Address: Berlin-Zehlendorf, Wilkistrasse 98.

Subject is free lance correspondent of several West German papers, including "Der Abend", Berlin, "Ruhr-Nachrichten", "Luebecker Nachrichten", "Nordwest Zeitung", Oldenburg.

A CIC report dated 14 February 1950 states that subject is a sponsor of the Deutsche Union, a right wing political party with headquarters in Berlin. Other leaders: Otto H. Hess, Heinz Gerhard Schwinning, Ernst Fischer-Bothof, and Erich Lubitz.

Subject cleared: 26 July 1951

Subject proposed as cut-out in youth project originally. Subject never employed in this capacity.

Subject now employed as P/A in LCCASSOCK.

2. Operational activity: Subject was first contacted by ☐ ☐ in the fall of 1950.

Subject since early 1950 had been engaged in the publication and distribution of black editions of E. Ger. newspapers and occasionally magazines. Since the summer of 1951 subject was supported by the Kaiser Ministry on a regular basis for the publication of two black editions monthly (20,000 copies each) of E. Ger. newspapers. During the Communist Youth Rally in Berlin 1951 subject recieved a one-time HICOG grant to increase his output in connection with the Rally. Early in 1952 subject again contacted HICOG to discuss the possibilities of an additional grant.

By arrangement between HICOG and PEMIGHT, a HICOG grant of 10,000 DM monthly for a period of 9 months, beginning 1 April 1952, is available to DTRULER for operation this project.

LCCASSOCK Objectives: Subject will produce and distribute one phony edition monthly of a E. Ger. magazine in 20,000 copies. The Information Bulletin of the LDP and the official Vopo magazine will be published in alternate months. Other magazines will be substituted occasionally as PW needs and opportunities permit.

Personnel: Subject is P/A and only individual to be contacted (case officer: ☐ ☐). Editorail staff consists of subject, three other journalists and a secretary. Distribution is handled by team of three men who have been handling distribution of publications under Kaiser

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auspices.

Cover: Anonymous W. Ger. industrial sources is cover for funds.

Budgets: 10,000 DM monthly allotted this project. Preliminary estimate by subject for publications: 9,300 DM/ LDP magazine; 9,200 DM/ Vopo magazine.

Activity to date: April - 1st publication is black edition of LDP official Information Bulletin in 20,000 copies. Distribution effected by subject's distribution staff through LDP contacts in E. Berlin, LDP exile group in W. Berlin and individual distributors.

May - black edition of official FDJ bi-weekly magazine to coincide with FDJ convention 27 May to 1 June. 20,000 copies printed and distributed in E. Berlin and E. Ger.

June - black edition of official Vopo magazine. 20,000 copies printed and distributed in E. Berlin and E. Ger. Distributed by subject's own distribution organization, also through Falken and labor channels.

CE Activity: BRLN 6539, 21 Aug 52, reports that subject approached with offer of support of E. Ger operations. Offer now thought possible provocation leading to kidnap attempt. Decoy posing as subject has attended two meetings and has 3rd scheduled for 21 Aug.

Case turned over to Public Safety HICOG on 20 Aug for continuation via W. Berlin police.

Case coordinated with [] []

Case coordinated with [] [] on receipt of BRLN 6539. [] stated as long as [] and [] coordinating in Berlin he desired only to be kept informed of developments. If Ger. Desk desires CE analysis of case will provide though must be furnished with complete story on subject and activity.

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FRAN requests Berlin to supply further information on identity of individuals making approach to subject and outcome of meeting 21 August.

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